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SECTION 1: Identification

1.1. Product Identifier

Trade Name or Designation Acetic Acid, 20% (v/v)

Product Number 138

Other Identifying Product Numbers 138-1, 138-16, 138-2.5, 138-32, 138-5

1.2. Recommended Use and Restrictions on Use

General Laboratory Reagent

1.3. Details of the Supplier of the Safety Data Sheet

Company Ricca Chemical Company

Address 412 West Fork Drive

Arlington, TX 76012 USA

Telephone 888-467-4222

1.4. Emergency Telephone Number (24 hours)

CHEMTREC (USA) 800-424-9300

CHEMTREC (International) 1+ 703-527-3887

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SECTION 2: Hazard(s) Identification

2.1. Classification of the Substance or Mixture

Hazard Class	Category	Hazard Statements	Precautionary Statements
Corrosive to the Respiratory Tract	Corrosive		
Skin Corrosion / Irritation	Category 1	H314	P260,P264,P280,P301+P330+P331, P303+P361+P353,P363,P304+P340, P310,P321,P305+P351+P338,P405, P501
Serious Eye Damage / Eye Irritation	Category 1	H318	P280,P305+P351+P338,P310

2.2. GHS Label Elements

Pictograms:



Signal Word: Danger

Hazard Statements:

NOTE: Hazard statements may be combined on labels to improve clarity and readability.

Hazard Number	Hazard Statement
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage
	Corrosive to the respiratory tract

Precautionary Statements:

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Prevention

Precautionary Number	Precautionary Statement
P260	Do not breathe fumes or mist.
P264	Wash hands, arms, and face thoroughly after handling.
P280	Wear protective gloves and eye protection.

Response

Precautionary Number	Precautionary Statement
P301+P330+P331	IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.
P303+P361+P353	IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water or shower.
P304+P340	IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.
P305+P351+P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P310	Immediately call a poison center or doctor.
P363	Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

Storage

Precautionary Number	Precautionary Statement
P405	Store locked up.

Disposal

Precautionary Number	Precautionary Statement
P501	Dispose of contents/container to suitable waste stream in accordance with local, state, federal, and international regulations.

2.3. Hazards not Otherwise Classified

No other hazards identified.

2.4. Ingredients of Unknown Acute Toxicity

20.4 percent of this mixture consists of ingredient(s) of unknown acute dermal toxicity.

SECTION 3: Composition / Information on Ingredients

3.1. Components of Mixture

Chemical Name (IUPAC)	Common Name and Synonyms	CAS Number	Weight%
water	Water	7732-18-5	79.57
acetic acid	Acetic Acid; Ethanoic acid	64-19-7	20.43

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SECTION 4: First-Aid Measures

4.1. Description of Necessary Measures

Eye Contact: IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Eye contact may cause severe eye damage followed by loss of sight. Vapor exposure may cause watering and irritation to eyes.

Ingestion: IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. Do not induce vomiting. Give large quantity of water. Call a physician immediately.

Inhalation: IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.

Skin Contact: IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water or shower. May cause serious damage to the skin. Effects may include redness, pain, skin burns.

4.2. Most Important Symptoms and Effects, Acute and Delayed

Causes severe skin burns and eye damage Danger! Corrosive liquid. May be fatal if swallowed. Causes severe burns to all areas of contact. Harmful if inhaled. Inhalation may cause lung and tooth damage. Immediately wash areas of contact with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If ingested, give large quantity of water. Do not induce vomiting. EYE CONTACT: Eye contact may cause severe eye damage followed by loss of sight. Vapor exposure may cause watering and irritation to eyes. SKIN CONTACT: May cause serious damage to the skin. Effects may include redness, pain, skin burns. CHRONIC EFFECTS / CARCINOGENICITY: Repeated exposures may cause erosion of exposed front teeth, darkening of skin and chronic inflammation of the nose, throat and bronchial tubes.

4.3. Immediate Medical Attention or Special Treatment Needed

Immediately call a poison center or doctor. Irrigate immediately with large quantity of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention immediately. Remove to fresh air. Give artificial respiration if necessary. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Call a physician if irritation develops. Do not induce vomiting. Give large quantity of water. Call a physician immediately.

SECTION 5: Fire-Fighting Measures

5.1. Extinguishing Media

Water spray, dry chemical, alcohol foam, carbon dioxide

5.2. Specific Hazards Arising from the Substance or Mixture in a Fire

Combustible liquid. Combustion may produce irritants and toxic gases.

5.3. Special Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters

Wear special protective clothing and positive pressure self-contained breathing apparatus. Butyl rubber, Teflon, Viton, or Saranex barrier recommended.

SECTION 6: Accidental Release Measures

6.1. Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures

Wear protective gloves and eye protection.

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6.2. Cleanup and Containment Methods and Materials

Use water spray to cool and disperse vapors, protect personnel, and dilute spills to form nonflammable mixtures. Use soda ash to neutralize spills. Control runoff and isolate discharged material for proper disposal.

SECTION 7: Handling and Storage

7.1. Precautions for Safe Handling and Storage Conditions

Store locked up. As with all chemicals, wash hands thoroughly after handling. Avoid contact with eyes and skin. Protect from freezing and physical damage.

SECTION 8: Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

8.1. Exposure Limits

U.S. OSHA - Permissible Exposure Limits (PEL) - Time Weighted Averages (TWA)

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Exposure Limit
Acetic Acid	64-19-7	10 ppm TWA; 25 mg/m3 TWA

U.S. OSHA - Permissible Exposure Limits (PEL) - Ceiling Limits

No limits found.

U.S. OSHA - Permissible Exposure Limits (PEL) - Short Term Exposure Limits (STEL)

No limits found.

U.S. OSHA - Specifically Regulated Chemicals

No limits found.

ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Ceilings (TLV-C)

No limits found.

ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Short Term Exposure Limits (TLV-STEL)

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Exposure Limit
Acetic Acid	64-19-7	15 ppm STEL

ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Time Weighted Averages (TLV-TWA)

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Exposure Limit
Acetic Acid	64-19-7	10 ppm TWA

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8.2. Engineering Controls

Work in fume hood.

8.3. Individual Protective Measures and Personal Protective Equipment

Respiratory Protection: Work with adequate ventilation or wear respirator with acid gas/organic vapor cartridge.

Skin Protection: Chemical resistant gloves.

Eye Protection: Safety glasses or goggles.

SECTION 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

9.1. Basic Physical and Chemical Properties

Physical State: liquid

Color: Colorless

Odor: Vinegar

Odor Threshold: Data not available.

Melting/Freezing Point: Approximately 0°C

Boiling Point/Range: Approximately 100°C - 118

Flammability: Data not available.

Flammability/Explosive Limits: 19.9% (Acetic Acid)

Flash Point: Not flammable

Auto-Ignition Temperature: Data not available.

Decomposition Temperature: Data not available.

pH: 2.1

Kinematic Viscosity: Data not available.

Solubility: miscible

Vapor Pressure: Data not available.

Evaporation Rate: Data not available.

Relative Density: 1.03

Relative Vapor Density: Data not available.

Particle Characteristics: Data not available.

Partition Coefficient n-octanol/water, log Data not available.

SECTION 10: Stability and Reactivity

10.1. Reactivity and Chemical Stability

Stable under normal conditions of use and storage. Acetic acid contracts slightly upon freezing which may cause the container to burst.

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10.2. Possibility of Hazardous Reactions

Data not available.

10.3. Conditions to Avoid and Incompatible Materials

Strong bases, strong oxidizers, chromic acid, sodium peroxide, nitric acid, perchloric acid.

10.4. Hazardous Decomposition Products

Will not occur.

SECTION 11: Toxicological Information

11.1. Information on Toxicological Effects

Acute Toxicity - Oral Exposure:

Not acutely toxic.

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Toxicity
Acetic Acid	64-19-7	Oral LD50 Rat 3530 mg/kg (Source: Canada_HSA)

Acute Toxicity - Dermal Exposure:

No information found.

Acute Toxicity - Inhalation Exposure:

Inhalation acute toxicity estimate (ATE, vapor): 41.6055 mg/L, 4 h(calculated)

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Toxicity
Acetic Acid	64-19-7	Inhalation LC50 Rat > 8.5 mg/L 4 h (Source: Canada_HSA)

11.2 Carcinogenicity:

International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC)

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Classification
		No data found.

National Toxicology Program (NTP)

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Classification
		No data found.

U.S. OSHA specifically regulated carcinogens

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Chemical Name	CAS Number	Classification
No data found.		

11.3 Additional Toxicology Information:

Causes severe skin burns and eye damage. Corrosive to the respiratory tract.

SECTION 12: Ecological Information

12.1. Ecotoxicity

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Species	Exposure	Toxicity
Acetic Acid	64-19-7	Freshwater Fish	Acute	LC50 96 h Pimephales promelas 79 mg/L [static] (EPA); LC50 96 h Lepomis macrochirus 75 mg/L [static] (EPA)
Acetic Acid	64-19-7	Water Flea	Acute	EC50 48 h Daphnia magna 65 mg/L [Static] (EPA)

12.2. Persistence and Degradability

Data not available.

12.3. Bioaccumulative Potential

Data not available.

12.4. Mobility in soil

Data not available.

12.5. Other Adverse Ecological Effects

Data not available.

SECTION 13: Disposal Considerations

13.1. Waste Treatment Methods

Data not available.

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SECTION 14: Transportation Information

14.1 Transportation by Land - Department of Transportation (DOT, United States of America)

Sizes: 1 L, 4 L, 10 L, 20 L, 500 mL

UN Number: UN2790

Proper Shipping Name: Acetic Acid Solution

Hazard Class: 8

Packing Group: III

Hazard Label(s):



14.2 Transportation by Air - International Air Transport Association (IATA)

Sizes: 1 L, 4 L, 10 L, 20 L, 500 mL

UN Number: UN2790

Proper Shipping Name: Acetic Acid Solution

Hazard Class: 8

Packing Group: III

Hazard Label(s):



14.3 Transportation of Dangerous Goods (TDG, Canada)

Sizes: 1 L, 4 L, 10 L, 20 L, 500 mL

UN Number: UN2790

Proper Shipping Name: ACETIC ACID SOLUTION

Hazard Class: 8

Packing Group: III

Hazard Label(s):



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SECTION 15: Regulatory Information

15.01. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Hazards

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Regulatory Information
No data found.		

15.02. Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances

Chemical Name	CAS Number	RQ
No data found.		

15.03. Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) 311/312 Hazardous Chemicals

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Regulatory Information
Acetic Acid	64-19-7	5000 lb final RQ; 2270 kg final RQ

15.04. Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) 313 Toxics Release Inventory (TRI)

Chemical Name	CAS Number	List
No data found.		

15.05. Massachusetts Right-to-Know Substance List

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Regulatory Information
Acetic Acid	64-19-7	Present (including glacial)

15.06. Pennsylvania Right-to-Know Hazardous Substances

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Regulatory Information
Acetic Acid	64-19-7	Environmental hazard; Environmental hazard (water solutions)

15.07. New Jersey Worker and Community Right-to-Know Components

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Regulatory Information
Acetic Acid	64-19-7	sn 0004

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15.08. California Proposition 65

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Regulatory Information
No data found.		

15.09. Canada Domestic Substances List / Non-Domestic Substances List (DSL/NDSL)

Chemical Name	CAS Number	List	Status
Acetic Acid	64-19-7	DSL	Present
Acetic Acid	64-19-7	NDSL	"Present" As Carboxylic acids, C1-5 [68937-68-8]
Water	7732-18-5	DSL	Present

15.10. United States of America Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) List

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Status
Acetic Acid	64-19-7	Present (ACTIVE)
Water	7732-18-5	Present [XU] (ACTIVE)

15.11. European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS), European List of Notified Chemical Substances (ELINCS), and No Longer Polymers (NLP)

Chemical Name	CAS Number	List	Number
Acetic Acid	64-19-7	EINECS	200-580-7
Water	7732-18-5	EINECS	231-791-2

15.12. China - Inventory of Existing chemical Substances (IECSC)

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Status
Acetic Acid	64-19-7	Present [39068]
Water	7732-18-5	Present [32224]

15.13. Korea - Existing Chemicals Inventory (KECI/KECL)

Chemical Name	CAS Number	List	Status
Acetic Acid	64-19-7	Annex 1	Present [KE-00013]
Water	7732-18-5	Annex 1	Present [KE-35400]

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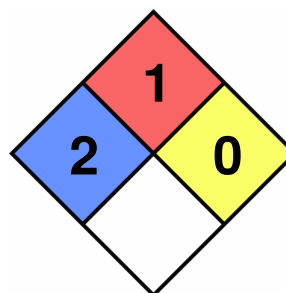
15.14. Japan - Existing and New Chemical Substances Inventory (ENCS)

Chemical Name	CAS Number	MITI No.
Acetic Acid	64-19-7	(2)-688
Water	7732-18-5	- (listed on Japanese Pharmacopoeia 8th Edition)

SECTION 16: Other Information

16.1 National Fire Protection Associate (NFPA) Rating

Health: 2
Flammability: 1
Reactivity: 0
Special Hazard:



16.2 Document Revision

Last Revision Date:
 2026-05-25

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